

Remarks

Claims 1, 6, 12, 13, 16, and 17 have been amended. Claims 11 and 15 have been canceled. Claims 1-10, 12-14, and 16-18 are now pending in the case.

I. Rejections of Previous Claims 1-10 Based 35 U.S.C. 102 and 35 U.S.C. 103

The examiner rejected previously provided claims 1-10 under 35 U.S.C. 102 and/or 35 U.S.C. 103. The applicant does not necessarily agree with such rejections. Various claims have now been amended or canceled without prejudice to filing another application such as a continuation or divisional application.

II. Claims 1-10, 12-14, and 16-18, with present amendments, are allowable

The examiner indicated that previous claims 11-18 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form.

The applicant has rolled the limitations of claim 11 into claim 1. Claim 1 is now submitted to be allowable. Claim 11 has been canceled because it is now duplicative. Claims 2-5, and 12-14 are dependent on claim 1 and are also submitted to be allowable for at least that reason.

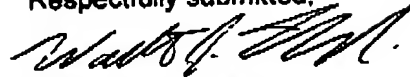
The applicant has rolled the limitations of claim 15 into claim 6. Claim 6 is now submitted to be allowable. Claim 15 has been canceled because it is now duplicative. Claims 7-10 and 16-18 are dependent on claim 6 and are submitted to be allowable for at least that reason.

III. Conclusion

Claims 1-10, 12-14, and 16-18 are respectfully submitted to be in a condition for

allowance. Favorable reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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